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GSU Men's Basketball

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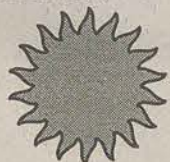


Baseball Club to come to GSU?

The Baseball Club will host an informational meeting Wednesday night to increase its membership.

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Weather



Today: Mostly sunny with a high in the low 70s.

Wednesday: Increasing clouds with a chance of scattered showers and a high in the low 70s.

Today's Word

polylemma(POLeluma)
v. a situation in which there are three or more unpleasant alternatives.

Source: Weird Words

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New technology fee proposed to improve computer facilities

By Kevin Bonsor
Assistant News Editor

The cost of running computer labs on campus is rising and state funds are not meeting the needs of GSU, university officials say. In order to meet that rising cost, a new \$25 student technology fee has been proposed.

The Student Government Association approved the fee last Wednesday.

Before SGA passed the proposal, they added the stipulation that the amount of the fee would not increase for at least the next three years.

SGA President Derek Burns said he expected some negative student reaction to the fee but that the benefits of the fee would overcome those negative feelings.

"This technology fee will only go to benefit them [the students]," Burns said. "We want this technology fee to go to the student facility computers. This fee will not be used to pay for faculty computers."

According to the proposal, the specific uses of the funds would include maintaining "no-cost" printing in student computer facilities, providing "low-cost" high-end color and laser printing, upgrading computer equipment on a regular basis,

upgrading scope and speed of the campus computer network on a regular basis, extending the hours of operation of major computing facilities, such as Newton and the College of Business Administration, to 24 hours, increasing access for off-campus

also serves as Chair of the Information Technology Advisory Council.

The fee will generate approximately 1 million dollars per year. This money would supplement any state funding for computer labs.

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DEREK BURNS,
SGA PRESIDENT

pus students, expanding operations in the residence halls, increasing staff at computer facilities and adding more training classes in computer literacy for students.

The problem the university is facing is that the annual budget from state appropriations and tuition is not sufficient enough to support necessary advances in student computing facilities and services.

"We want to maximize the stuff students can do in our computer labs," said University Librarian Julius Ariail, who

"We think we can make good use of the money for student benefit," Ariail said.

In order for the proposed fee to be instated, it must be approved by the SGA senate, the Faculty Senate and the Executive Planning Council.

With SGA approving the fee Wednesday, the proposal will now move to the Faculty Senate.

If it is approved, the technology fee will be included in the annual total student fee proposal, which includes the ac-

tivities fee, athletics fee and health services fee. This total student fee proposal will be submitted to the Board of Regents.

If approved by the Board of Regents, the fee would begin summer quarter of 1997. The fee will be reviewed annually by the same campus groups.

The funds from the fee will be budgeted by a Student Technology Fee Budget Committee.

The committee will be chaired by Harry Carter, vice president of academic affairs.

Students will hold the majority of the seats on the committee, which will also consist of faculty and computer facility administrators.

Students serving on the committee will be appointed by SGA and it will be mandatory that two of the students come from SGA.

This committee would review the needs of campus computing facilities and decide annual budget allocations for each area. It would also maintain a liaison relationship with the SGA senate, Strategic Planning Council, Information Technology Advisory Council and Executive Planning Council.

Memory lane



Kristy Rickards

For some people a few hours spent walking by the lake will help to unwind from a day of stress and chaos. These two people, like many who

visit the campus of GSU, have noticed the many ongoing construction projects, yet are still mesmerized by the beauty of the natural surrounding.

Student group forms to back liquor referendum

By Kevin Bonsor
Assistant News Editor

The heated liquor referendum debate has motivated many students to register to vote in the election. It has even sparked a few students to form their own political group.

The group, Students For a Better Statesboro, formed last Monday in an effort to get the liquor referendum passed on March 18.

"Students For a Better Statesboro is an organization set up for, basically, getting information to the students," said Chad Elkins, chairman of SFBS. "To tell them that they can vote."

The group right now is in the process of laying the ground work for their intensive campaign. They are organizing an advertising campaign that will utilize local cable, student media and word-of-mouth. The group also has possible plans to hold a political rally.

"Really more than anything, more important than registering or running ad campaigns, is creating a frenzy mood about this issue," said Ben Chao, a political consultant hired by SFBS.

The group has set as its goals to register 10,000 students and to get them to the polls to vote.

"If we can show that we have the ability to mobilize large numbers of students and get them to the polls and actually vote on something, people will listen to everything this university has to say," Chao said.

Elkins said that the group is using the liquor referendum, which they feel students will have a strong interest in, as a catalyst to change Statesboro politics.

"In the past, politicians and candidates for office have never focused on the students, because students don't vote," Elkins said. "What we are trying to do is change that."

After the referendum is decided, the group plans to establish a permanent organization, with a large student backing, to be involved in all aspects of Statesboro politics.

"They are to be the watchdog for students' interests in Statesboro politics," Chao said.

The referendum proposed by City Councilman Cory Andrews would make the consumption of alcohol in restaurant-type facilities inside the city limits legal. Any student who has been living in the city limits for at least 30 days can register to vote in the election.

Police arrest armed robbery suspect

By Kevin Bonsor
Assistant News Editor

One Statesboro man has been arrested and charged in connection with the armed robbery of a GSU student. Local police are still looking for a second suspect involved in the case.

Senaka Antwon Anderson, 19, of Carver Street, was arrested Jan. 14 by the Statesboro Police Department and charged with armed robbery, carrying a weapon in a school zone and a convicted felon with a firearm.

Anderson is accused of being involved in the Jan. 9 armed robbery of a GSU student at In The Pines Apartments, according to Ken Brown, Director of Public Safety.

Anderson and another unidentified black male allegedly asked the student for some change. One of the two suspects then pulled out a handgun and pointed it at the victim, said Guy Sharp of Public Safety.

"We're getting some warrants to look for evidence but we haven't found the second suspect yet," Brown said.

WVGS receives \$28,000 for equipment improvements

Radio station will use the money to buy a new antenna and transmitter to reduce interference

By Salua Brannen
Staff Writer

GSU's WVGS radio station was recently granted a \$28,000 budget by the student activity budget to make improvements to the radio station equipment.

Russell Dewey, advisor to WVGS, said that the station has been pretty conservative about its budget.

Only recently did the station put in a request for much-needed, high-quality equipment which will upgrade the station, he said.

"They've all been responsible," Dewey said.

WVGS will use a portion of the money to attain a new antenna and transmitter.

These new elements will reduce a problem the station has had over the years with interference.

The interference occurs due to the frequency being picked up by telephone equipment while the station is in broadcast.

The station currently runs on



Mike Spilker

Gina Penka, a WVGS DJ, brings the campus of GSU closer to "The Darker Side of WVGS" every Thursday afternoon from 3-5 p.m. Penka (holding the clipboard) has been a WVGS disc jockey for one year.

a transmitter that was built in the 1950s and is designed to function at 10,000 watts, instead of the 10 watts at which it runs.

Various engineers have informed Dewey that this may be

what is causing the interference, for such a large machine is operating at only a fraction of its optimal power.

With the \$28,000 donation, the station will discard the 1950s

tube-based transmitter and obtain a new transistorized transmitter that will consume much less power.

This new device will save money on power and will be maintenance free.

Dewey said the new transmitter will be beneficial all the way around, by reducing maintenance problems, interference and by increasing the clarity of the signal.

"The main goal is to get rid of the interference problem," Dewey said.

In addition to the transmitter and antenna, the station will be getting a new computer.

This new computer will help in doing production work and cutting CDs.

Also, the station will be able to buy new telephone interfacing equipment. This will make it easier to conduct talk shows.

"The amount of cooperation and level of enthusiasm have played a prominent role in our receiving this additional funding," Dewey said.

POLICE BEAT

GSU Division of Public Safety

January 16, 1997

•Meredith Wynne reported a Murray bicycle was missing from the Johnson Hall bike rack.

•Kenneth Zoll reported his wallet missing from the Business Building.

•Kevin Daniels reported his book bag was missing from the Hanner tennis courts.

•A resident of Brannen Hall reported receiving harassing phone calls.

January 11, 1997

•Lindsay Anne McCorkle, 18, of Savannah, was charged with DUI (.11) and improper right turn.

•Jeffrey Frankart reported a cover of the phone box had been torn off the wall in Watson Hall.

January 10, 1997

•Charles Travis Evans, 18, of Stadium Walk, was charged with DUI (.18), having an altered driver's license and a stop sign violation.

•Tonza Cummings reported someone had keyed her vehicle while parked in the Hanner parking lot.

Statesboro Police Department

January 17, 1997

•Octavia Davis, of Campus Courtyard, reported that her roommate wrote a check which was drawn on Davis' credit card account for an amount between \$400-\$700.

•Elizabeth Tavares, of Bermuda Run, reported theft by taking of her Motorola flip phone.
•Carla Thomas, of Georgia Villas, reported that a black male took her dog.

January 16, 1997

•Elizabeth Thomas, of North

Side Drive, reported illegal use of a credit card.

•Kenneth Robinson, of Gently Drive Apartments, reported someone entered his vehicle and took a CD player valued at \$400.

•Keisa Jones, of Stadium Club, reported criminal trespass.

January 15, 1997

•Nikki Hammock, of Hawthorne II, reported that someone entered her vehicle and took a radar detector and 60 to 70 CDs.

January 14, 1997

•Wendy Wells, of Winburn Hall, reported battery.

•Holly Robinson, of Stadium Walk, reported criminal trespass.

January 13, 1997

•Rodney Hagery, of University Pointe Apartments, reported

someone pointing a gun at another person.

•Kemberly Williams, of University Pointe, reported damage to property.

January 12, 1997

•Angela Walker, of Eagle Creek, reported criminal trespass.

•Tavares Hudson, of Stadium Club, reported criminal trespass.

January 11, 1997

•Kimberly Andrews, of Players Club, reported criminal trespass.

•Jill Marie Harding, of Statesboro, was charged with DUI (1st) and weaving.

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•Applications are now being accepted for the 1997 Homecoming Chair. All full time GSU students with a GPA of 2.5 or better are eligible to apply. Applications may be picked up in room 2024 of the Russell

Union. Applications are due no later than Friday, Feb. 14 by 5 p.m. and interviews will take place from Feb. 17 to Feb. 20. For more information, contact the Russell Union at 681-0399.

•The Henderson Library will be offering tutorial sessions in writing, reading skills, study skills, and math throughout the quarter. Sessions will be held Monday through Friday, at various times during the day. For more information and times of the sessions, call 681-0321.

•The African-American choir will be holding a choir re-

hearsal from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in room 1223 of the Williams Center.

•"A Photographic Tribute to the People of Mexico" will be shown in the GSU Museum until Feb. 23.

Wednesday, January 22, 1996

•"The Piano Lesson" will be playing in the Russell Union Theater beginning at 7 p.m. Admission will be \$2 at the door.

•"Use and Abuse of the Internet" will be from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in room 213 of the Southern Center.

The Academic Corner

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Burglar falls asleep
on the job

The Associated Press

OCEAN CITY— A burglar who broke into a coin shop forgot to finish the job: He fell asleep on the floor without stealing a thing, police said.

"He was very intoxicated," said Lt. Gary Schaffer.

Peter J. Thomas, 31, of Ocean City was found passed out on the floor of the Jersey Shore Coin Shop by police responding to an alarm that activated when he kicked a door, Schaffer said.

"He didn't take anything, he was just in here. I've never seen anything like it," said Elliott Arking, the owner of the shop.

Police believe Thomas may have tried to get into other stores and was thwarted.

Doors and windows on some neighboring shops were damaged, police said.

There were blood stains on the carpet from injuries he apparently suffered kicking the door in, Schaffer said.

Thomas, who had \$108 of his own money in his pocket, was

charged with burglary and criminal attempt of theft.

Police say he broke in intending to steal something, hence the criminal attempt charge.

2 California
Pranksters go topless
at Disneyland

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM— When it was time to say "Cheese!" the women riding Disneyland's Splash Mountain flashed much more than their smiles.

More than a dozen photographs of women baring their breasts on the park's log ride have appeared on Internet sites in the last few months, leading many to dub the attraction "Flash Mountain."

This comes as Disneyland announced plans to tame the lusty swashbucklers in its Pirates of the Caribbean attraction.

The photos were captured by a special video camera mounted inside the ride.

It snaps souvenir shots for each log and its crew of up to eight riders as they plunge down



Splash Mountain's five-story water drop.

Over the years, riders of both sexes have struck ribald poses in hopes of walking away with a risqué souvenir.

Usually, the R-rated pictures are intercepted and destroyed by Disneyland employees.

Not this time. Park officials believe the topless photos on the Internet were likely stolen by an employee.

An internal investigation last year failed to turn up the culprit but management at the Anaheim amusement park has tightened security procedures

and added more oversight to the editing process.

"This is obviously something we don't condone," said Disneyland spokesman Tom Brocato. "We've put additional controls in place to keep it from happening again."

The first photos from Splash Mountain surfaced on the Internet last spring and copies have multiplied, Brocato said.

"This has been going on since parks first started installing these cameras in the 1970s," Spiegel said. "The technology may change, but human nature won't."

OFFBEAT

Juror jailed after throwing tantrum

The Associated Press

BALTIMORE— A juror seeking to be excused from hearing a trial threw a tantrum that caused the judge to dismiss the panel and landed the juror in jail.

Raleigh Brent, 43, was sentenced to serve one day in jail, pay a \$100 fine, and report again for jury duty in February.

After storming out, Brent called Friedman's chambers three times and told her law clerk that he would not return.

He also used racial slurs to describe the defendant in the case, Friedman testified.

"I showed great disrespect toward the judge," he said. "I have excuses, but no excuses for what I've done."

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OFFBEAT

Have you seen what he did to that car ?
Antique car draws enormous attention because of decorations

By Chelsea J. Carter
The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Craig Stadler's restoration of a 1960 Chevrolet Corvair attracts drop-jawed stares, fingerpointing and howls. Not to mention the police.

What attracts attention is the more than 5,000 plastic toys glued to the body of the car.

Then there's the black light and the glow-in-the-dark paint inside.

Not to mention his passenger, a blonde mannequin whose head turns 360 degrees.

"I get pulled all the time by cops. They just want to get a better look," said Stadler, 27. "One even wanted to film it and send it in to that 'Cops' show."

The restoration of the classic car started out simple enough. Stadler saw it on a lot in Cartersville in 1991 and decided that he had to have it.

He spent \$1,000 for it and was committed to making it road-worthy.

It wasn't until last year, when Stadler saw a television show about an autopsy on an alien, that his "restoration" took on a whole new look.

He painted his own version of an alien autopsy on the hood

and attached three plastic toy aliens.

"I wanted people to stop stealing the aliens, so I guess I went a little overboard. I started gluing everything on there," he said.

Stadler, a research assistant for an Atlanta-based nuclear engineering company, has spent about \$1,000 dollars on toys, glue and paint. He shops at flea mar-

kets, thrift stores and garage sales for "parts."

The drawback to all the attention? A former employer at a company he declined to identify forbid him to park the car at the office, and the manager of an apartment complex told him that he wasn't welcome.

"It's the only car I have. I drive it everywhere," he said. "

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Our Opinion

Technology fee may seem unfair to students

Many students may balk at the proposed \$25-per-quarter technology fee to be used for improving student computer labs on campus. While students may appreciate the need for the fee, knowing this need will not make paying the extra money any easier.

To administrators, \$25 per quarter may not seem like too much to ask, but being strapped for cash is almost a given in college.

Some students receive just enough aid to meet the costs of tuition, fees and books, and others must work part-time to foot the rest of the bill.

Also, some students never use the computers provided by the school. Is it fair that they, too, must pay the extra \$25?

Instead of proposing an additional bill for students to pay, a better solution, at least in the eyes of students, would have been to find and eliminate any wasteful spending on the part of the university.

Upcoming City Council meeting

Statesboro citizens who oppose the liquor referendum are expected to discuss the issue at tomorrow morning's City Council meeting.

For any of you students who wish to attend the meeting and voice your opinions either for or against the referendum, the meeting will be held at City Hall at 9:30 a.m.

Your Opinion

Women deserve equal treatment

Editor,

At the end of fall quarter the flashing electronic sign at Lakeside Café read, "Women's season basketball tickets on sale \$15, kids free." The next message read, "Men's season basketball tickets now on sale \$45."

This struck me as odd when some of the major fuss in the press these days is that of equal work for equal pay. This policy is advocated by many high-ranking officials, including President Bill Clinton. Why, then, does the athletic department seem to appose such policies?

Last season, the women's team went onto a 15-13 record while the men compiled a 3-24 record. Over the last four seasons, the women are 73-43 while the men are 44-67. In most cases, tickets for a winning team cost more, but not here at GSU.

Even if the men had the better record, would this justify a \$30 increase in price over that

of the women's tickets?

What type of message is being sent by the university? That women offer a lower-quality product, in effect that they worth less than the men?

When in reality, women are worth just as much as men and have just as much to offer, and in the case of the basketball teams, possibly more.

In today's society, we punish differences far too often and reward those who conform to the mold of the white Anglo-Saxon Protestant. Society, then, says too bad to anyone not born into this elite crowd.

This is not just an aspect of GSU. I could have written this at any college in America and the same would have been true. Women's activities are being overlooked in favor of the men's.

The unfair treatment women receive does not start nor end here at GSU. This is just one example of the ongoing lack of respect for women, their similarities and their differences.

Douglas Blake
GSU student



Life would be better if we'd simply 'live and let live'

Clichés are, by definition, trite or overused, but often, they express just the right sentiment. Sometimes, even though we try to avoid using them, there is just no better way to say what we want to say.

One such pointed cliché is "live and let live." Some people believe this saying is the philosophy of only the carefree spirits of the world. I would disagree. In fact, I would boldly proclaim that "living and letting others live" could make our country a better place to live.

I can make that proclamation because I've always believed this saying simply means living one's own life as one sees fit and allowing others the same courtesy.

All of these musings came to me as a result of two incidents.

First, I recently came across a news item from Eastern Illinois University. During the school's Homecoming parade last October, some members of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity allegedly shouted obscenities and threw food at some gay, lesbian and Native American students who were marching in the parade.

Why would they do this? Do they hate these groups of people that much? And if they do, then why?

Perhaps they believe that the



AMANDA CREWS

EDITOR

lifestyles of gays and lesbians are immoral, but who gave them the right to judge? And even if their lifestyle was wrong, how would that affect the members of this fraternity? It wouldn't.

The principle of "live and let

live" seems so simple that one wouldn't think it would need to be explained.

Fortunately, this story has a happy ending, one which offers some hope and encouragement.

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live" would, in this case, mean that even if the members of the fraternity disapproved of the lifestyles of gays and lesbians or hated Native Americans, then they would keep that to themselves because it doesn't concern them.

Presumably, these fraternity members live their lives as they see fit, so why can't they allow others to do the same? That solu-

tions seems so simple that one wouldn't think it would need to be explained.

The other incident which has made me reaffirm my belief in this philosophy is the current

debate over liquor in Statesboro.

First of all, isn't democracy all about allowing the majority to decide? Apparently, democracy has yet to arrive in this city because for years, the wishes of a minority who believe it is morally wrong to drink have dictated what the majority are allowed to do.

Again, the solution to this problem seems simple. If you are a person who believes it is immoral to drink, don't drink. At the same time, though, do not presume that everyone else should live according to the same set of morals.

Some might argue that in this case, "letting others live" as they see fit could possibly lead to harm in the form of increased instances of drinking and driving.

But the sad truth of the matter is that anyone who wants to drink and drive can do so with or without liquor. Beer will do the job just as well as liquor and perhaps even better since it is the cheaper of the two.

In Statesboro or anywhere else, a simple rule of thumb is don't judge others and do not dictate how others should live their lives unless it directly concerns you or may bring you harm.

There's just no better way to say it. Simply live and let live.

Living in constant fear of being raped is no way to live

A serious problem in this country always in the news is the number of sexual assaults that occur every year. Activist groups and self-protection programs are constantly on television and in newspapers in an effort to help women help themselves.

Many of these programs serve a valuable purpose, but others seem intent on doing little more than scaring women even more than they already are.

Don't get me wrong. I wholeheartedly support the idea of women trying to protect themselves. No one could argue with that. In fact, I don't believe any woman has ever "asked for it" by her dress or behavior. No character flaw should ever be considered a crime punishable by such a heinous act.

The woman who pressed charges against Mike Tyson might not have been the smartest person in the world for going to his hotel room in the wee hours of the morning, but don't blame anybody but the criminal for a sexual assault.

Having said that, I don't agree with women's groups who portray all men as evil, sex-crazed animals who are incapable of controlling their most primitive desires. Every guy occasionally gets horny, but don't think that you can group normal guys with



RUSTY MCGUIRE

COLUMNIST

psychotic perverts.

Groups like these throw around figures that they don't even understand in an effort to

dent on the sidewalk. When I smiled in a gesture of greeting, I noticed a look of fear on her face that I'll never forget. I felt sorry

I DON'T AGREE WITH WOMEN'S GROUPS WHO PORTRAY ALL MEN AS EVIL, SEX-CRAZED ANIMALS WHO ARE INCAPABLE OF CONTROLLING THEIR MOST PRIMITIVE DESIRES.

scare people into agreeing with their extremist tactics.

I was in Winburn Hall last year when I saw a sign that said, "Did you know that one in four women has been the victim of a sexual assault?" They compile this figure as a summation of all of the reported and unreported rapes that happen each year.

My question is how is it possible to put your finger on a number of unreported anything? Using such a statistic is a pure and simple fallacy.

I remember walking back to Oxford Hall that same night. It was about one o'clock in the morning when I passed a female stu-

It's a cop-out that many women use when they don't feel good about themselves the next day.

Advocates of such laws argue that they exist as a deterrent against such acts. They seem to overlook that the woman is as guilty as the man and that the stigma of being called a rapist is something that will completely destroy the man's life.

All too often, women live their lives in fear because they've heard horror stories and unfounded statistics. Being afraid is a horrible way to live. It is impossible to enjoy life if you are constantly terrified.

This whole issue represents a twisted paradox in our society. I think it is wrong to look at all men as potential rapists. I also think it's impossible to understand the psyche of a person who would commit such a crime. Furthermore, I hope that all women would take all the necessary precautions when they go out.

Women are put in the horrible position of either being afraid or simply not worrying about it, an outlook which could make them the next victim.

The best solution I can think of is to be comfortable that being careful will keep you safe. Protect yourself, but don't build a wall between yourself and the rest of the world in the process.

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Can you believe I forgot I was Mozart in a past life?

To be honest, I had completely forgotten that in a former life I was Mozart. You know how certain things tend to slip your mind, like where you left your car keys, or the fact that you used to be a brilliant Austrian composer who died in 1791? Well, that's exactly what happened to me.

I was reminded of my former life recently when I received a book called "Spirit at Work," by Lois Grant, who has had a number of former lives. (I realize that some of you may be skeptical about the idea of reincarnation but there's a lot of evidence that it's real. Exhibit A is Vice President Al Gore, who obviously, at some point in his previous existence, was a slab of Formica.)

Besides having been reincarnated, Lois Grant is in close personal touch with many spiritual entities, including her deceased cat, Fluffernut, and the Archangel Michael, who has written a nice blurb for the cover of "Spirit at Work," which he calls "a key to the rebirth of the planet." (I myself have never gotten a blurb quite that positive, although one of my books was described as being "heavy on the booger jokes," which is similar.)

Anyway, it turns out that one whole chapter of "Spirit at Work" is devoted to some correspondence that Lois Grant and I had back in 1991. It began when she wrote me a long letter, in which she said that she had been asking herself the question—I bet you've asked this question many times—"Where is Mozart now?" So she decided to contact Joya Pope, who serves as a "channeler" for a spiritual entity named Michael, who is "a group of 1,050 souls who have completed their cycle of lives on the Earth." (Sounds like the U.S. Congress!)

Through Joya—who according to the book "is available for channeling by telephone"—Lois Grant asked Michael about the current whereabouts of Mozart. The answer was: "He is a writer living in Florida."

On a hunch, Lois Grant sent Joya a photograph of me from the newspaper, and the answer came back that the current reincarnation of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart is none other than—you guessed it—Wayne Newton.

No, seriously, according to Lois Grant, Joya/Michael says that I used to be Mozart. I was quite surprised to learn this, and you would have been, too, if you had seen me take piano lessons. This was in 1956, when the piano teacher, a woman named Mrs. Ugly Old Bat, used to come to my house every Saturday on her broom and point out to my mother that I apparently had not been practicing.

This was, of course, true. I was 9 years old, and I had better things to do with my time than sit around staring at a music book filled with tiny inscrutable black marks and trying to figure out which one correspond with which specific keys on the piano. As far as I was concerned, our piano had WAY too many keys on it anyway. I would have much preferred a piano with a total of two large keys, one white and one black; or maybe even just one really large gray key, so you'd never have any doubt which one you were supposed to hit.

But our piano had THOUSANDS of keys, stretching out for approximately a mile in either direction, and if I didn't hit exactly the right one, Mrs. Bat would make a federal case out of it. She'd stand over my shoulder and harangue me about sharps and flats for an HOUR—and in those days a Saturday hour was the equivalent of 53 weekday hours—until finally she'd give up and go outside to catch moths for dinner.

In other words, I was not a natural piano student, in stark contrast to Mozart, a brilliant musical prodigy who by age 9 had already composed his classic work "Porgy and Bess." I did eventually take up the guitar, and I even played in a band in college, but we didn't play complicated music. We played songs like "Land of 1,000 Dances," which only has one chord, namely, "E." In fact, a lot of our songs basically consisted of "E." Usually, we'd play "E" for an hour or so, then we'd take a 15-minute break, during which we'd change over to "A."

So even though Lois Grant seemed to be a nice, sincere person, I frankly doubted that I had ever been Mozart, and I pretty much forgot about our correspondence until I received my copy of "Spirit at Work" and saw the chapter in there about me.

DAVE BARRY

COLUMNIST

I began to wonder: What if I really was the reincarnation of Mozart? I mean, I don't want to get too spiritual here, but if Joya/Michael is correct—if I really am the embodiment of

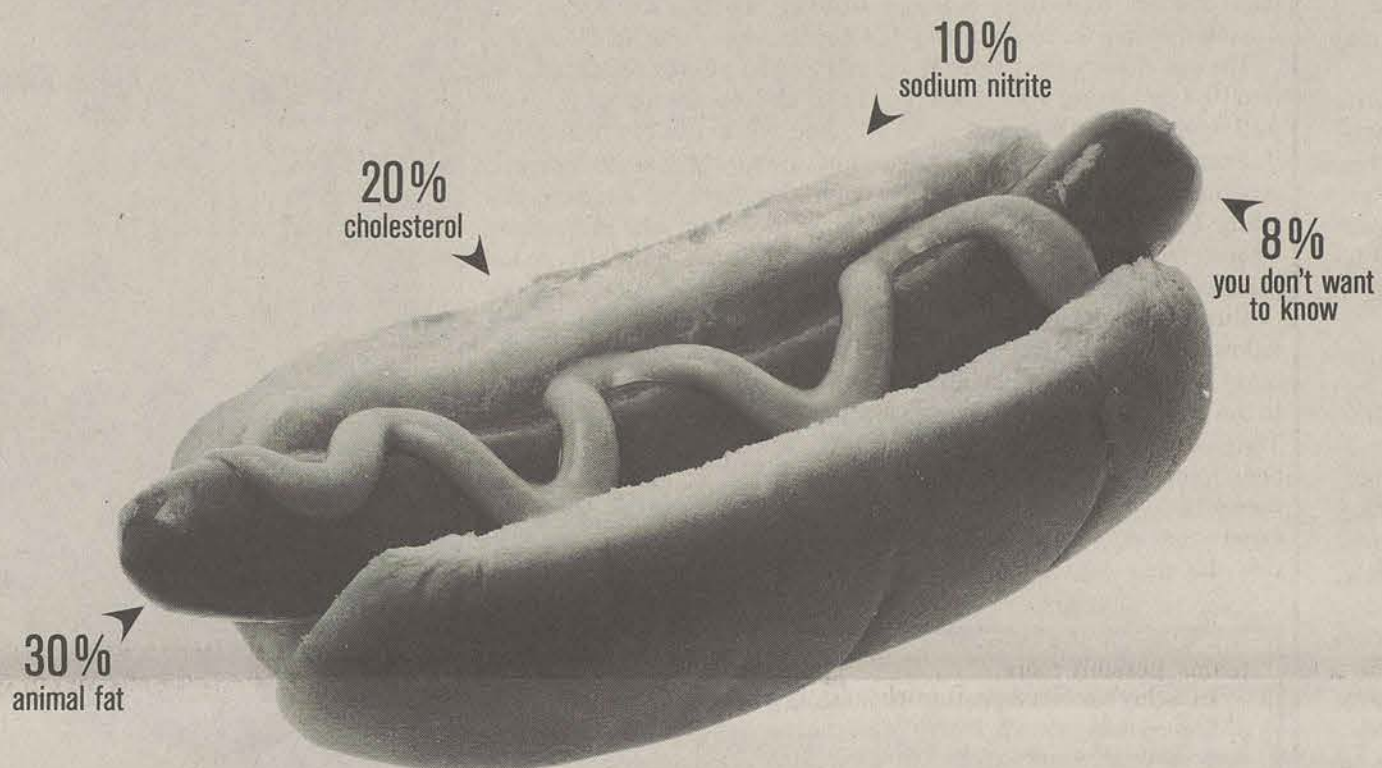
one of the greatest musical minds in history—then anytime anybody plays any Mozart music, I should get royalties, right? So just to be on the safe side, if you use any of my songs—"The Marriage of Figaro," "The Magic Flute," "Summertime," "Happy Birthday," "Mony Mony," etc.—I'd appreciate it if you'd send me a check.

Make it out to Dave "Wolfgang" Barry.

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FROM THE
SIDELINES

CAROLYN WYNN



*The 'monster'
we've created
is discouraging*

As much as I love sports, I have to admit there is something inherently wrong with a system that overlooks and even rewards behavior that would be unacceptable in any other arena just because of the name.

Every week there is another athlete in the news, whether it's Dennis Rodman kicking a camera man, or one of the Dallas Cowboys caught up in yet another scandal.

As a fan, I cannot help but to be annoyed, disappointed and a little disenchanted with the whole world of professional athletics.

Professional sports, nor its athletes, can escape the realities of modern life. Sports have become a mirror of society's problems. These problems are only aggravated by the combination of fame, wealth and youth.

The lifestyle that lures many into the world of professional athletics becomes for some, a recipe for ruin.

Money, fast cars and even faster women become a lethal combination for many of today's athletes. For example, last year the NFL issued 11 punishments for drug-related violations. Seven of those issued went to Dallas Cowboys.

Yet nobody seems to care that "America's Team" has become a convict camp. I guess it doesn't seem real to us. It is as if we were just watching a movie. So it doesn't matter what happens to the actors.

Many complain about what has happened to sports, yet many of those same people turn a blind eye to what goes on. No one cares if he beats his wife, has multiple mistresses, uses drugs or is an alcoholic. Hell, that isn't even a big enough story for the press to cover, because it is too common of an occurrence.

But I would be little more than a hypocrite if I shouldered all of the blame on these athletes. Collectively as a society, it is a little too late to complain about the monster we have created.

We have made deities out of athletes.

We have belittled the importance of knowledge by commending, even encouraging, them to forego education.

So the unrealistic self-perceptions many athletes have is just a result of being placed on pedestals.

Unfortunately for most, they find out too late that their privileges and fame will be short-lived and eventually find themselves replaced by the same machine that created them.

Yet there are still some glimmers of fair play, determination, humility and there are still athletes who deserve our adoration.

The good news is that for every Michael Irvin, there is a Reggie White. For every Dennis Rodman, there is a Grant Hill, and for every Charles Barkley, there is GSU's own Michael Curry.

So despite all the negative, I still believe in all the positive things sports have to offer. Professional athletics and its athletes didn't become this way overnight, so a solution to the problems will not come easily.

Two Eagles have career nights in GSU win

GSU News Service

GSU junior college transfer Elvardo Rolle has taken heat this season, mostly due in part of his lack of defensive pressure.

But Saturday night at Varsity Gym in Boone, N.C., it was the 6-foot-1-inch offensive arsenal that was applying the heat rather than taking it, and the GSU men's basketball team has another conference win to show for it as they escaped Appalachian State with a 76-75 win, giving the Eagles their second victory over the Mountaineers in as many tries.

"I'm pretty happy for this group because of what they have endured," Eagle coach Gregg Polinsky said.

While GSU stars Fernando Daniel, Rod Willie and Johna Seay only accounted for 11 total points, it was Rolle who picked up the offensive slack as he cashed in a career-high 24 points and torched the nets from beyond the arc by hitting a phenomenal 6-of-7 three-pointers.

He was also perfect from the foul line by hitting 4-for-4 while pulling down two boards.

Frank Jackson also had a career night by pouring in 18 points, going 7-for-7 from the field and 4-for-4 from the line. He also grabbed five rebounds in the win.

But as Polinsky pointed out following the game, it was sophomore Duane Goebel who turned in the gutsiest effort of the night. The 6-foot-4-inch guard, who has been hampered by a stress fracture all season and who also suffered a concussion during a practice the day before the game,

scored a season-high 10 points and had six key rebounds.

"The star of this game was Duane Goebel," Polinsky said. "He's still suffering from that stress fracture and he's got more guts playing on a leg and a half. Duane was a catalyst today. He gives us an ingredient of toughness we really need."

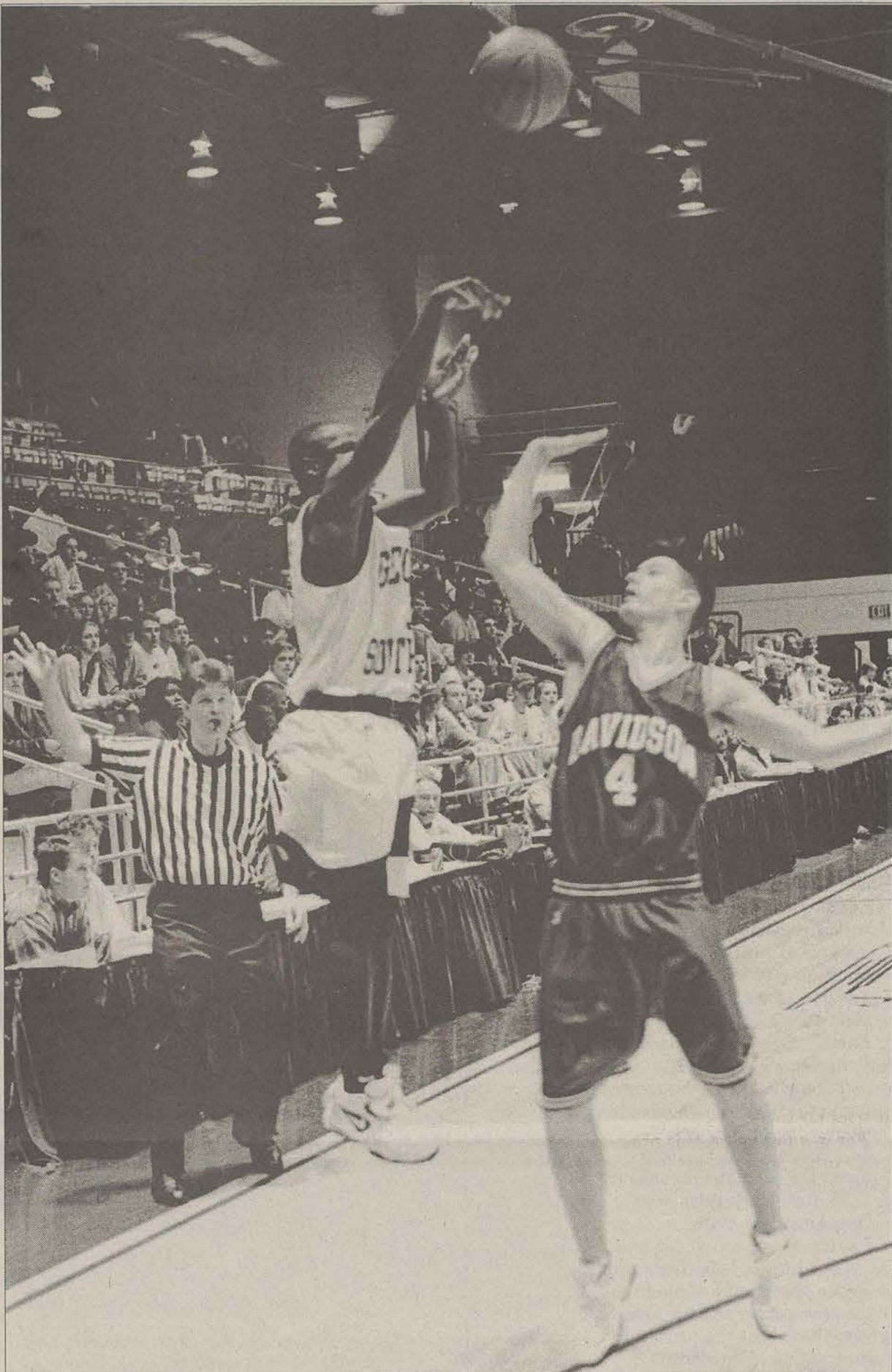
With GSU (6-10/ 2-2) holding a three-point lead, Appy's Tige Darner scored off a Mountaineer offensive rebound with less 10 seconds remaining. Unable to get the ball in bounds, Eagle guard Fernando Daniel launched a pass down court which was recovered by the Mountaineer's Darner, but his desperation toss was way off the mark as time expired.

Appalachian State (7-9/ 1-3) was paced by Darner's 19 points and three rebounds, while Junior Braswell added 17 points and six assists in the losing cause.

Bottom line, the Eagles were able to capitalize on given opportunities, as they hit 50 percent from the floor, knocked down 11-of-14 three-pointers and drained 13-of-15 from the line.

And while the Mountaineers shot a respectable 48 percent from the floor in keeping the game in doubt, the difference proved to be their inability to hit the long range shots as well as their free throws. Appy finished the night shooting 7-of-23 from three-point land and 18-of-27 on foul shots.

"I was disappointed in our defensive effort," Polinsky said. "We work so hard on it in practice. Maybe something like this will help us."



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'ROLLE'ING IN THE TREYS: Eagle juco transfer Elvardo Rolle knocked down 6-of-7 three-pointers in GSU's 76-75 win over Appalachian State on Saturday. Rolle finished with a career-high 24 points.

Eagles and Lady Eagles basketball notebook

- GSU's win over Appalachian State on Saturday snapped a 12-game road losing streak. The last time the Eagles had won on the road came when they upset East Tennessee State 70-68 on Jan. 25 last season.
- Eagle freshman walk-on **Travis Wright** has officially left the basketball team as of last week to concentrate on academics. Wright had made his first career start in the loss to Virginia Tech.
- Senior **Angelica Rivers** booked seven steals at Marshall (Jan. 11) tying the No. 3 GSU standard. She currently leads the team with 33 steals, as of the Marshall game.
- Senior **Tarsha Askew** has passed the 1,000 points mark in her four-year career at GSU. She passed 1,000 with a 13-point performance at UT-Chattanooga (Jan. 5.)

EAGLE BASKETBALL

GSU falls to Furman on Saturday

GSU News Service

Furman's Lady Paladin basketball team improved to 10-4 overall and 3-1 in the Southern Conference with an 88-75 victory over the GSU Lady Eagles on Saturday at the Herman Lay Physical Activities Center.

GSU led much of the first period, but Furman stormed back, in part on the strength of a 23-point first-half performance by senior Natasha Jackson, to take the lead, 38-36, two minutes and 15 seconds before entering half-time.

Though Furman never trailed in the second half, the Eagles tied the game 63-63 at the 8:05 mark on a Telly Hall jumper, and again with 6:19 on the clock, 65-65, on a shot by Tondra Warren. In the end, however, Furman proved too much for GSU, outscoring the Lady Eagles 12-5 in the final three minutes.

Natasha Jackson tied her career high with 29 points on the night, while Elizabeth Noethling recorded her fourth double-double of the year with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

The Lady Paladins shot 51.7 percent for the game, while connecting on 23-of-32 free throws for a .719 percentage from the stripe.

The Lady Eagles will be in action at home for a seven-game homestand starting on Jan. 25 against Appalachian State, followed by a game on the 27th against Western Carolina.



File Photo

RETURNING HOME: The Lady Eagles will return home for a seven-game homestand after a long and strenuous road trip.

Schedule for GSU athletics

Sat., Jan. 25, Lady Eagles bball vs. App. St. - Home, noon
Sat. Jan. 25, Eagles bball vs. The Citadel - Home, 2:30 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 27, Lady Eagles bball vs. W. Car. - Home, 7 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 27, Eagles bball vs. UT-Chatt. - Away, 7:30 p.m.

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT

GSU men's swim team tops both Duke and Georgia Tech

GSU News Service

The GSU men's swim team continued its winning ways with a 59-56 victory over Duke University and a 73-40 win over Georgia Tech in Durham, N.C. on Saturday, as the team paces itself closer to the Southern States Championships slated for Feb. 13 at Davidson University.

Despite having some good swims, the Lady Eagles dropped to both the Blue Devils and Yellow Jackets.

The Eagles jumped out early when the 200-medley relay squad of Brian Gupton, James Tillman, Brad Mori and Bryan Lucius touched the wall first with a time of 1:38.54.

Individually, Lucius added wins in the 50-free (:21.95) and the 100-free (:47.56), Mori won the 100-breast (:59.70), Tillman added the 100-fly (:53.58) and Troy Wagoner won the 200-free with a time of 1:44.14. Diver Kevin Hyland also scored high on the one-meter (262.65) and the three-meter (259.72).

The Eagles, now 5-4 with wins in their last four meets, will have their final meet before the Southern State Championships on Saturday, Feb. 1, at Hanner Fieldhouse, where College of Charleston comes to town for the 2 p.m. start.

Lady Bulldogs blank GSU tennis

The No. 12 Georgia women's tennis team blanked GSU 9-0 in the season opener for both squads Saturday.

Georgia swept the singles in straight sets and won all three doubles matches.

Freshman Marissa Catlin gave Georgia a 1-0 lead, dispatching Aude Boule 6-0, 6-1 in 45 minutes. Lauren Rose and Zoe Mellis, Georgia's other two freshmen, also enjoyed a solid home debut winning at the No. 3 and No. 5 position in the lineup. Georgia's other winners included Michelle Anderson at No. 1, Nadine van de Walle at No. 4 and Kelly Baskin at No. 6.

Cram joins 'Sport Talk' this week

GSU students and fans will be able to hear first-year GSU women's head coach Rusty Cram Wednesday at 6 p.m. on the newest and hottest radio sports show on in Statesboro.

WVGS-91.9, in its third week of airing "Sport Talk," is hosted by Jody O'Donnell and Chaz Pike and can be heard on a weekly basis starting at 6 p.m. every Wednesday. Some issues Cram will be addressing are the recent Lady Eagle road trip as well as the upcoming schedule for the his GSU basketball team.

EAGLE FOOTBALL

Johnson and coaching staff bring back players of the past

By Carolyn Wynn
Staff Writer

It has been a long time since the word "exciting" has been associated with the GSU football program, but with the hiring of former GSU assistant Paul Johnson as new head coach, there is a new energy coming from Iron-works, the athletic work-out facility, this winter.

"It's exciting," Johnson said Wednesday afternoon. "It's going to be a lot of fun getting the thing started again. Hopefully, we can re-establish the program back to one of the more dominant I-AA programs in the country. That's certainly one of our goals."

The Eagles returned from Christmas break to begin winter workouts, and just in that short time, most would admit that there is a new energy that has come with the coaching changes.

"During workouts the coaches wear the same thing as the players," said junior Bennie Cunningham. "That may seem unimportant to some, but it means a lot to us. It shows that they are a part of us. Nobody has ever done that. Before, it was a more us-and-them attitude. It definitely motivates you to want to work hard."

One problem that has plagued the GSU football program in the past has been the retention of athletes. For the past five years,

a notable difference has been seen in the decreasing number of players, and in that case, wins as well.

But with this new life, GSU football has seen the return of many former players. In fact, the total players at the start of winter workouts was approximately 150.

Robert Wilson, a returning offensive lineman, said his reason for leaving the team before was simple; he had lost the love for the game.

"It wasn't an easy decision," Wilson said. "There were a lot of things that went into my decision to leave. The love for the game was the only thing keeping me on the team then, and once it was gone, it was hard to put my all into it. But now, I still have the desire to play and contribute to the team's success. That is why I came back."

"I think that any time you have a change, everybody comes in with a clean slate," Johnson said. "This is an exciting time for them. We've allowed anybody, for the most part, who has had some sort of background here to come out. It's been like a new beginning for them."

GSU is currently interviewing for the position of strength coach and should have one training with the team within a couple of weeks. There has not been a strength coach here since 1992.

The naming of the strength coach will be the final addition to the new coaching staff, which is already getting plenty of attention.

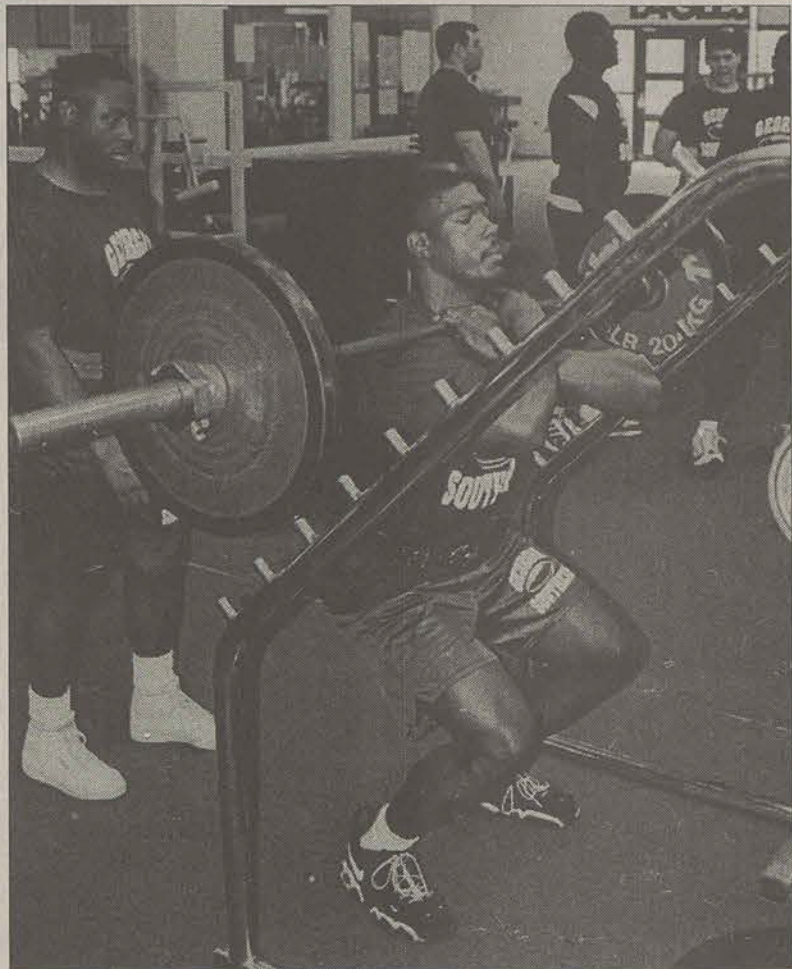
The majority of the new Eagle assistants were either former GSU players or coaches, and having coaches familiar with the GSU program was what Johnson

felt was important in getting GSU back to where it used to be.

"Georgia Southern football stands for a bunch of guys who work their butt off and achieve the most success that they are capable of achieving," Johnson said. "And this coaching staff knows what it takes to get there."

"I think in the past, we may not have always had the most talent, but I know that when I was here before, we played hard. This has always been a program that's had a chip on its shoulder and said, hey, here we are. If you

are going to come down here and play, you better roll your sleeves up because you're going to be here awhile."



BREAKING A WINTER SWEAT: GSU football players are in the midst of winter workouts, and the numbers that have shown up are astonishing. Approximately 150 players started the workouts with the team.

A tradition many Eagle fans forgot about

The prominent year was 1990, and the young GSU team had just conquered its second consecutive championship.

Oh yes, quite an accomplishment, as you might imagine. This was big, but what was not known at the time was how big it would become.

For in a few years, this program could argue that it is the most traditional at GSU, judging wins and losses and the heralded championships.

No, we are not talking about the GSU football team.

We're talking swimming. Yes, the team that many only know as the group of guys who made it a habit to remove their clothing piece by piece until they were down to those ever-so-popular Speedos each time the GSU volleyball team would score an ace.

Yes, we're talking about arguably the biggest hecklers on campus, yet in their sport, they've been able to back up every word.

Yes, we're talking swimming, and judging by their

BEYOND THE ARC

MIKE DAVIS



record and number of championships, this team makes it hard to assume that football holds the reins to this school.

All right, let's not get ahead of ourselves. Make no mistake, the football program, and its beloved story, is why we have 15,000 students walking the red-bricked sidewalks of GSU. The football program is why there is such a thing called, "Eagle Creek." And the football program is why we have the athletic facilities that we have here.

But it's hard to argue with this: The women's team is currently fighting for its *ninth* consecutive Southern States title. And for those who don't know, the Southern States is

swimming's version of the Southern Conference.

And the men's team, after winning their first two titles in 1989 and 1990 (then called the Southern Federation Championships,) came out in first place in last year's SSC, totaling three titles for them.

That's a pretty awesome resumé when you sit down and look at it.

Recently, four-time "Coach-of-the-Year" Scott Farmer passed over the controls to two new coaches; one a former GSU swimmer and assistant coach, Derek Chaput, and the other a former stand-out at South Carolina, Anne Marie Wozniak.

And when they assumed the head coaching role, they took over knowing what had been done in the past, and what many wanted to be done in the future.

"There is a lot of tradition here," Wozniak said after a meet against Virginia Tech two weeks ago. "There is some pressure to do well, but I feel

more pressure on me. I try not let the kids deal with too much pressure, because I just want them to focus on what they need to do in the pool, and if each person on this team takes care of their specific event, then we will be fine."

"I have a philosophy that conference is the ultimate goal, and winning conference is this team's goal, and we are going to do everything we can to win it."

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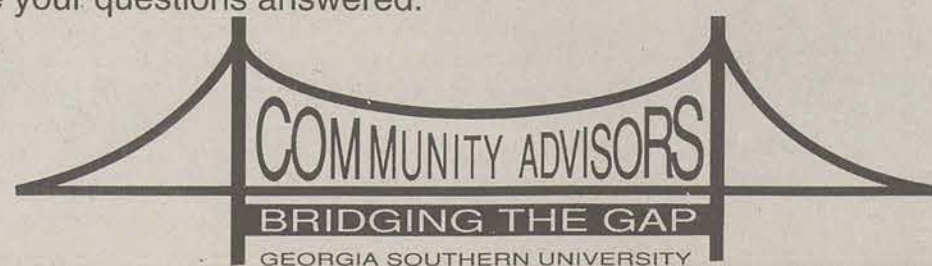
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Habitat Home Shop in need of student donations

By Kelly Linn Blake
Staff Writer

The GSU Student Chapter of Habitat for Humanity of Bulloch County is helping to generate funds to build homes for selected families.

The group began in May of 1991 and has built four houses in Bulloch County thus far.

In 1997, the chapter hopes to build three more homes for families in need. The homes are built by volunteers and are sold, with interest-free mortgages, to partner families.

Each family is required to put many hours into building their own future home and must help other families build their homes as well.

"The money the homeowner pays Habitat for Humanity goes back to building new houses," said Rebecca Holt, a VISTA worker.

Habitat for Humanity is in need of donations for the Habitat Home Shop.

This shop raises money from furniture, appliances and other household items that people do-

nate. The items sold help to build another Habitat house.

"We will sell everything you donate and all of the profits will go to eliminating substandard housing," said Aisha Taylor,

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The shop was opened on Aug. 1, 1996 and has raised several thousand dollars in its five

months of operation.

"What we need now is a steady flow of merchandise to make it work," said Warren "Spike" Jones, chairperson of the Home Shop Steering Committee.

The items that are collected are brought to a large warehouse on East Cherry Street in downtown Statesboro. A local businessman donated the warehouse rent-free to Habitat for Humanity.

Every week, the Collection Center holds a garage sale.

The center is located at 337 E. Cherry St. behind Southeast Georgia Farm Credit on South Main St. The hours of the center are Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Home Shop is located at Howard Lumber and Hardware at, 600 Gentilly Rd.

A pick-up service is available if the donations are unable to be brought to the Collection Center. Call 489-2076 to make arrangements for pick-up.

Receipts for donations are provided for income tax deduction purposes.

CLUB PROFILE

Hit a homerun with the Baseball Club

By Kelley McGonnell
Features Editor

Well, it's the end of football season and many of us are waiting to see who the national champs will be: the Packers or the Patriots. But if football is not your thing and you are patiently awaiting baseball season, you may want to talk to Taylor Davis and Adam Rush.

Tomorrow night the two will hold the third meeting of their Baseball Club.

Individuals who wish to form clubs are given certain regulations they must meet.

Rush and Davis have been given three meetings to gain members, elect officers and draft a constitution.

If this is accomplished successfully, then the club will become a school organization.

"We are trying to get a few more people interested," Davis said.

Taylor Davis is a senior transfer student from Denver, Colo. In junior college, he played baseball. Unfortunately, he was unable to play for GSU this year.

"I love the game too much to quit just because I can't play college ball anymore," Davis said.

games and other activities.

If all goes well at tomorrow night's meeting, then GSU will have two baseball teams to root for.

The school team has expressed some concern over the possibility of a club team in competition with the Eagles.

Davis says the club is for people who love the game and want to play it. He hopes there will be no tension between the two teams and they will cheer each other on.

The meeting is very crucial to the life of the club. If the criteria are not met, then the club will strike out.

For anyone interested, the new club will meet Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 9 p.m. in Russell Union room 2054.

If you have any questions, contact Taylor Davis at 681-1094 or Adam Rush at 688-3049.

Baseball is the great American past time and GSU can never have too much of it.

So if you want the thrill of that home run, attend tomorrow night's meeting and step up to the plate.



Adam Rush, a freshman GSU student, began the club to provide anyone with the opportunity to play competitive ball at the college level.

The club is open to anyone, regardless of ability or gender.

Rush has spent the quarter setting up the club. He has an agreement with CRI for practice fields and some equipment.

He has also been in contact with club teams from other colleges and universities to set up

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Today's Quote

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Union Productions is searching for students to plan and organize program activities. If interested contact Rebecca Raylor at 681-655 or POB 8066.

03•Autos for Sale

1985 Jeep Grand Wagoneer all power, CD player, leather interior, V-8, black with wood grain panels, \$3,000 OBO 685-6500.

1987 Buick Skyhawk. Radio. A good drive around town car. \$600. Call Casey at 764-3360.

1987 Nissan Stanza Must sell great shape p/w one owner, 5 speed, \$3,500 call 489-4549.

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04•Auto Parts, Repair

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12•Lost & Found

Found -- one ladies ring near apartment complex behind Mellow Mushroom. Call and describe. Susan ext 5444.

Lost bracelet blue topaz very sentimental. Reward. 852-5095. If found call Michelle.

13•Miscellaneous for Sale

Are you cold? Need wood? Firewood for sale split and delivered, 24 hour delivery service. 685-6500 or 842-5894.

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Two motorcycle helmets for sale. Red and white. \$65 ea. Both look like new. Call 489-5759.

15•Musical

Basist wanted to play in original (few covers) band. Must be 18 or older. For more info call Tyke anytime and leave message at 489-5701.

Pearl drum set, 5pc, red w/ Zildjian hit-hat, 16" Sabian crash and 20" Zildjian ride cymbals. Great cond. \$850 OBO. Call Ashley 681-2361.

17•Pets & Supplies

Female Rottweiler puppy for sale. Call 489-3452 for more information.

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20•Roommates

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A PEOPLE WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF ITS HISTORY



BACKCOUNTRY ESCAPES

Experience the Alpine in Helen

By Drew Whelchel
Staff Writer

Nestled in the mountains of North Georgia is a quaint town renowned for its air of Swiss-German culture.

It's a place where the buildings and houses are fashioned after those of gingerbread and where kraut and schnitzel are the local palate pleasers.

It's a place where steins abound and old men show off their leiderhosen.

It also happens to be the state mecca of craft shops.

This mystical mountain haven is none other than Helen, Ga.

For those who look for the weekend winter escape, but don't want to rough it, the Helenistic experience is one to pursue.

Located approximately an hour and a half above Atlanta, Helen offers inexhaustible opportunities for fun.

There are plenty of restaurants that fill every end of the spectrum from German Houses of beer to your basic Chinese cuisine.

There are several lodges in town but for those who prefer a slightly more memorable experience, Unicoi State Park Lodge is the place to bed down.

Unicoi is just two miles outside of Helen.

Much like the town, it offers plenty to do for the weekend escapist as well.

The park is surrounded by thousands of acres of mountains and forest land which makes for great scenic photography and excellent hiking and nature experiences.

Among the many activities offered at the park like fishing, boating, tennis, swimming and hiking, relaxation is probably the most favored this time of year.

The lodge is the greatest attraction for that activity.

Lodge rooms usually run about \$49 a night this time of year but it is money well spent.

Each lodge room is climate controlled with telephones and cable television.

Many of the rooms have gabled sleeping lofts that offer breathtaking views of the park below.

Some rooms have a wood-burning fireplace with large seating areas for that group of friends that escapes together or for the romantic couple that just likes to cuddle up in front of smoldering flames.

Either way, sinful relaxation is the result.

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CAMPUS NEWS

All-nighters are a way of life for GSU night monitors

By Jessica Morton
Staff Writer

It's 3:30 in the morning and you startle awake to a bang outside your door. You step out into the hallway of your residence hall and get blinded by a bright red vest.

After your eyes adjust to the light, you see a person behind the vest standing in front of you.

"Why are you hanging out in the hallway at this hour?" you ask, "And why are you wearing that?"

The red vest elicits laughs and replies, "I'm the night supervisor."

The night supervisors monitor the residence halls during the wee hours of the night. While we are sound asleep in our beds, the night supervisors walk around and make sure everything is safe and secure.

I decided to interview a night supervisor (at 2:30 a.m., I might add) and see if she could answer some of these questions.

Tonja "Bone" (because she's so skinny) Gerald was kind enough to talk to me.

Gerald is a senior Spanish

major. She plans to be an interpreter and work with the CIA. She said this job is helping to train her for graduate school.

Gerald was assigned to Brannen, Cone and Sanford the night I spoke with her. She has also worked at Dorman, Johnson, Oliff, Veazey, Hendricks and Pine.

The hours are from 11:45 p.m. to 5:15 a.m., and she works almost every other night.

She is required to record log sheets when she goes on her rounds, which take about 10 minutes per dorm, every 40 minutes.

"It is usually pretty calm," she said. "The students are usually very cooperative."

She also said that she thinks Johnson Hall is "the worst" as far as noise and visitation violations go.

I asked Gerald if it was weird trying to keep her peers under control, but she said she doesn't have any trouble.

Her philosophy is show respect, get respect.



A typical night for Gerald begins by calling in, filling out a log sheet and going on her first round.

After she gets back to the office, she gets "jolted with caffeine" from her trusted Mellow Yellow.

The rest of the night consists of going on rounds, doing homework and trying to stay awake. She considers her rounds her study breaks.

There are many advantages

to being a night supervisor.

Gerald said that this job has prevented her from dropping classes, getting involved in the party scene and getting into trouble.

It truly is a big responsibility to oversee the safety of the residence halls.

Being a night supervisor "gives you a sense of mature responsibility."

"It feels good to be trusted," she said.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Miss Black and Gold exemplifies African-American women

By Shana Johnson
Staff Writer

The Xi Tau chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity held its first annual Miss Black and Gold pageant on Wednesday, January 15.

This year's theme was "The True Essence of an African American Woman." Tawanna Collins best caught this essence and walked away with the title.

Being crowned on Wednesday was only the first step for Collins. She will now go on to represent the Alphas at their regional conference and then their national convention.

Pageant Coordinator Ramone Reeves was especially excited about this pageant because it was the first one to go on record at GSU.

This was one of Collins's reasons for entering the pageant.

"This is the first time the Alphas have done this on campus and I wanted to be a part of history, one of the first," Collins said.

This pageant is also an opportunity for Alpha Phi Alpha to show its many diverse sides.

"I wanted people to see that Alpha Phi Alpha is more than community service and parties. We do different things," Reeves said.

A scholarship was awarded to the winner.

This was one reason Talia Deloney competed.

"My reasons for competing were mainly for the scholarship and the personal challenge of the whole thing because this was my first pageant. Doing it will benefit me as a person," Deloney said.

But it took more than a pretty face and positive attitude to be-

come Miss Black and Gold.

The contestants were judged on an introductory speech, talent, exemplary speaking, evening and swimwear.

Reeves is quick to add that the swimwear portion was not an Xi Tau's requirement, but that of the national headquarters.

Contrary to what one would expect in this competitive atmosphere, the contestants said they all really got along and there

was a sense of sisterhood.

"This gave me an opportunity to meet new people. It was more fun than anything," said contestant Rashidah Young.

The contestants were: Miss Black and Gold Tawanna Collins, Ebonique Thomas, Antionette Marshall, Rashidah Young, Shenica Bridges, Talia Deloney and Erica Gordon.

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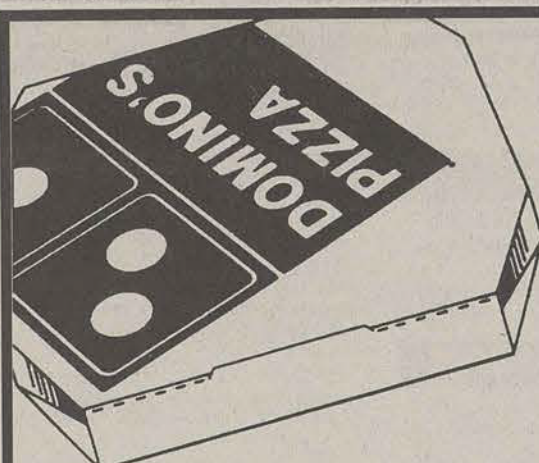
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